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SUBJECT: TRIPARTITE AND EGYPTIAN-SUDANESE COMMUNIQUE ISSUED
FOLLOWING JIDDA SUMMIT

1. EGYPTIAN PRESS JULY 20 DEVOTED CONSIDERABLE SPACE TO
TRIPARTITE AND BILATERAL COMMUNIQUE FOLLOWING SADAT-KHALID-
NUMAYRI JIDDA SUMMIT HELD IN WAKE OF KHARTOUM COUP ATTEMPT.
DOCUMENTS WERE LARGELY HORTATORY AND OFFERED FEW DETAILS ON
SUBSTANCE OF TALKS IN JIDDA OR OF EARLIER SADAT-NUMAYRI MEETINGS
IN ALEXANDRIA. MAJOR POINTS, COVERED BELOW, CONTAINED NO
SURPRISES.

EGYPTAIN-SAUDI-SUDANESE COMMUNIQUE:

A) AGREED ON INTENSIFYING COOPERATION IN GENERAL AND CREATION
OF JOINT AGENCIES FOR THIS PURPOSE;

B) CALLED UPON ALL PARTIES IN LEBANON TO DESIST FROM ANY
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ACTIONS CONTRARY TO RESOLUTIONS TAKEN BY RECENT ARAB LEAGUE
COUNCIL MEETING IN CAIRO;

C) DECLARED ARAB SOLIDARITY INDISPENSABLE;

D) PARAISED PALESTINIANS FOR PERSEVERENCE IN WORKING FOR LIBERA-

TION AND SELF-DETERMINATION IN FACE OF CHALLENGES;
E) NOTED INCREASE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF LEGITIMACY OF PALESTINIAN RIGHTS;
F) STATED ECONOMIC COOPERATION SHOULD BE EXTENDED "AS A STEP TOWARDS INTEGRATION" TO INSURE CONTINUED AND LONG TERM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT;
G) EGYPTIANS AND SAUDIS CONGRATULATED SUDAN FOR "CRUSHING SEDITION" OF JULY 2.

2. EGYPTIAN FONMIN FAHMY REPORTED AS SAYING JULY 19 THAT COOPERATION BY THE THREE COUNTRIES WOULD EXTEND TO ALL FIELDS, "ESPECIALLY MILITARY FIELD AND MATTERS CONNECTED WITH NATIONAL STRATEGY" (I.E. POLITICAL COORDINATION).

3. SUDAN-EGYPTIAN COMMUNIQUE:

A) EGYPTIAN SIDE CONGRATULATED NUMAYRI FOR "CRUSHING SEDITION AND BARBARIC INVASION ATTEMPT";
B) REVEALED JOINT DEFENSE AGREEMENT SIGNED IN ALEXANDRIA JULY 15, WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF EXISTING JOINT DEFENSE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT OF ARAB LEAGUE COUNTRIES;
C) NOTED AGREEMENT ON NEED TO HALT "EVERY KIND OF FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN LEBANON" AND NEED TO STRENGTHEN ARAB PEACE-KEEPING FORCES;
D) STATED INTENTION OF BOTH SIDES TO PLACE RESOURCES AT SERVICE OF AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT;
E) CONDEMNED "TERRORIST AND CRIMINAL ACTIONS OF RACIST MINORITIES" IN SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE;
F) CALLED ON WORLD COMMUNITY TO TAKE FIRM STAND AGAINST ABOVE IMPERIALIST REGIMES, WHICH PARALLEL "ZIONIST RACISM IN ISRAEL".

4. LIBYA: ALTHOUGH MENTION OF LIBYA CONSPICUOUSLY ABSENT FROM COMMUNIQUE, NEED TO FIND SOME WAY OF COPING WITH QADHAFI WAS OBVIOUS LEIT MOTIF OF TALKS IN BOTH ALEXANDRIA AND JIDDA. SAUDI CROWN PRINCE FAHD'S REPORTED STATEMENT THAT TRIPARTITE TALKS "WERE NOT DIRECTED AGAINST ANYBODY" UNLIKELY TO CONVINCE ANYONE. COUNTERPOINT TO COMMUNIQUE THEMSELVES WAS JULY 20 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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PRESS COVERAGE OF PRESIDENT FORD'S STATEMENT NOTING CONNECTION BETWEEN LIBYA AND INTERNATIONAL TERRORISTS AND ALSO OF MUHAYSHI APPEAL TO ARAB LEADERS FOR QADHAFI OUSTER.

5. ABSENCE OF CALL FOR END TO FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN LEBANON IN TRIPARTITE COMMUNIQUE IS INTERESTING, PERHAPS INDICATION THAT AGREEMENT ON SYRIAN ROLE COULD NOT BE REACHED IN JIDDA. WE ALSO NOTE EGYPTIAN-SUDANESE COMMUNIQUE'S REFERENCE TO JOINT DEFENSE AGREEMENT AS BEING WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS. THIS PRESUMABLY SERVES NOTICE ON QADHAFI THAT TWO COUNTRIES RESERVE RIGHT TO REACT JOINTLY TO HIM IN THE FUTURE, WHILE PUBLICLY DISCLAIMING ANY SUGGESTION OF ANTI-

LIBYAN CAIRO-KHARTOUM AXIS.

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